

KEWAUNEE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR'S OFFICE

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Magic Carpet Ready for Snow Tubing Season at Winter Park in Kewaunee County

KEWAUNEE, WI – Let it snow, let it snow, let it snow. The installation and inspection of the Magic Carpet at Winter Park in Kewaunee County is a wrap. Now, all that's needed for the Kewaunee County Promotion & Recreation Department to put its five snow guns to use at the park to create the perfect conditions for snow tubing, skiing and snowboarding, is for the temperature to drop below 20-degrees.

On Thursday, a state inspector with Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services visited Winter Park to sign off on the Magic Carpet, the standing conveyor belt lift, located at the six-lane snow tubing hill, which has a 220-foot slope with a 70-foot vertical drop and an approximate 17-degree pitch.

The purchase of the Magic Carpet was approved in March by the Kewaunee County Board of Supervisors with a \$110,000 loan allotted to the Winter Park Association to be paid back to Kewaunee County within the next five years.

The process to put the moving walkway together, which included the assembly of the frame and belt, electrical hookup and computer programing, took volunteers with the Winter Park Association approximately 16 weeks.

"Kewaunee County has the only snow tubing hill in northeast Wisconsin to have a Magic Carpet and it's a great feature to have for the thousands of people who visit the park, you stand on it with your tube and enjoy the ride up the hill," said Dave Myers, Kewaunee County Promotion & Recreation Director. "We expect to become busier than ever before, of course with the cooperation of Mother Nature."

"We know that our visitors love Winter Park, so it makes us happy to be able to give them something more that will continue to make their experience here memorable and at a price that won't break the bank," said Jennifer Schneider, Kewaunee County Tourism Coordinator/Public Information Officer. And, the Kewaunee County Promotion & Recreation Department asks that visitors keep off of the snow tubing and skiing hills when the park is not open to the public, as well as the Magic Carpet, when it's not in use in order to keep the belt in its best condition.

When the park opens for winter recreation, hours and ticket prices for the public will be:

Regular Hours Winter Park Admission

Skiing/Snowboarding: Skiing/Snowboarding: (Full Day)

Saturday: 10AM-4PM \$15/Person or \$12/Person with 10+ People

Sunday: 11AM-4PM \$80/Season

Kids Ages 5 & Under: FREE w/ Paid Adult

Ski/Snowboard Rentals: \$10/Daily

Snow Tubing: Snow Tubing: (2-Hours)
Saturday: 10AM-8PM \$8/Person or \$35/Family of 5

Sunday: 11AM-5PM Tube Rentals: FREE

Snowshoeing: Snowshoeing: (Full Day)

Saturday: 10AM-4PM FREE Admission Sunday: 11AM-4PM Rentals: \$10/Daily

Note: NO Checks Accepted (Public Hours): Credit/Debit Card, Cash & Gift Certificates ONLY

Those interested in making private party reservations at Winter Park can save a date with the Kewaunee County Promotion & Recreation Department by calling (920) 388-0444. Reservations can be made for open dates Monday-Friday starting January 5, 2018.

Rates for group reservations are \$175/residents and \$185/non-residents. There is also a 50 minimum ticket purchase at \$4/per ticket for each person. This includes 3-hours tubing and use of the ski chalet. All reservations are weather dependent and subject to cancellation by the Kewaunee County Promotion & Recreation Department if conditions are deemed unsafe or due to an abrupt change in weather.

Note: Credit/Debit Card, Checks, Cash & Gift Certificates Accepted for Private Rentals

If you are looking for an opportunity to volunteer, the Winter Park Association is always looking for help with weekend concession sales and equipment rentals. Contact Barry Nelson at (920) 388-3738.



(Magic Carpet at Winter Park)

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